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25X1**MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD****SUBJECT : Concurrence in Letter Contract No. BL 40-56 with  
Perkin-Elmer Corporation, Project [redacted]**

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1. Letter Contract No. BL 40-56 provides for a feasibility study to be conducted by Perkin-Elmer Corporation, Norwalk, Connecticut, over a two-months period to determine the equipment requirements for an Airborne Night Photo Reconnaissance System, responsibility for development of which has been assigned to the Agency's Technical Services Staff by the DD/P Material Board.

2. Letter Contract No. BL 40-56 has been drawn pursuant to a memorandum from Chief, TSS/APD, dated 16 May 1956, attached hereto, requesting that the desired contractual arrangement be made by the Project AQUATONE Contracting Officer in view of his existing contractual relations with this contractor and the high priority which attaches to the TSS program. No contractual relationship presently exists between the Perkin-Elmer Corporation and the Office of Logistics under which this contract could be negotiated and awarded within the time limits required.

3. Funds in the amount of \$6,926.50 chargeable to Fiscal Year 1956 Appropriation No. 6-2502-10 have been made available for this procurement and are being transferred to Project AQUATONE by the TSS Budget Officer.

4. This letter contract will be replaced by a definitive contract with the Perkin-Elmer Corporation. The definitive contract will be of the fixed price type.

5. It is recommended that you approve the signing of Letter Contract No. BL 40-56 by the authorized Project Contracting Officer.

**CONCURRENCES:**

SIGNED

General Counsel

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Contracting OfficerApproval requested in Paragraph 5,  
granted

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SA/PC/DCL - Project Director

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